



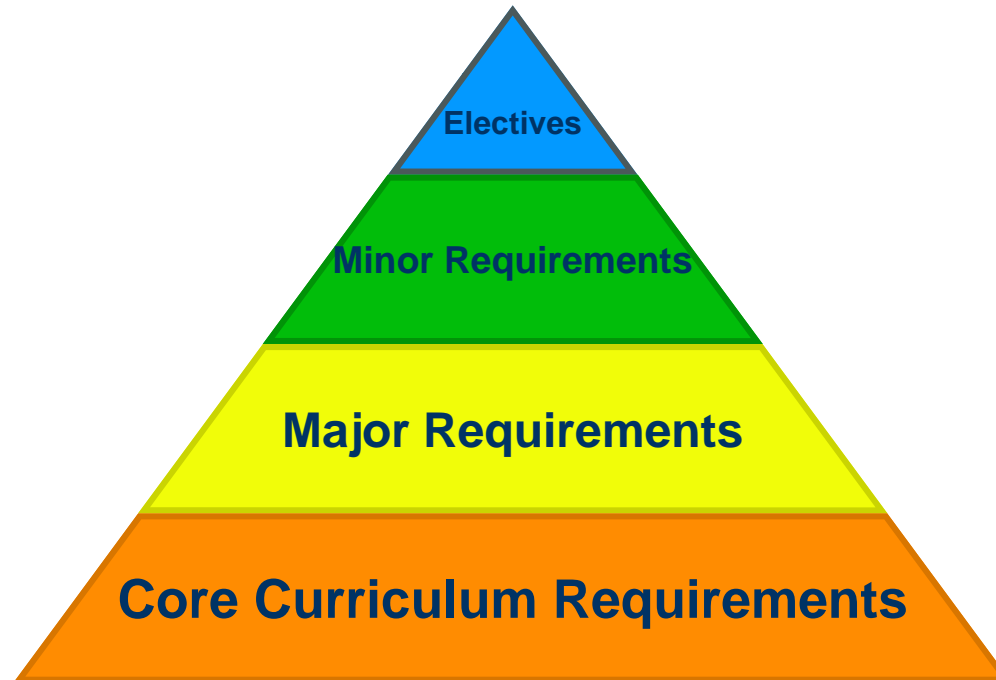
# **Understanding the Academic Labyrinth**

# A UAB Degree

## How many courses?

- *120 Semester Hours*
- *Average course load = 15 semester hours*
- *Full time student = 12 semester hours*

# The components



# Core Curriculum

- Area I: English Composition (6 semester hours)
- Area II: Arts and Humanities (12 semester hours)
- Area III: Science and Mathematics (11 semester hours)
- Area IV: Social and Behavioral Sciences (12 semester hours)
- <http://stars.troy.edu/stars/CRSLISTS/Uaba.htm>

# Elective Courses

## *First Year Experience Options*

- Freshman Learning Communities
- University 101
- School Based First Year Experience Courses

# Advisors: a Primary Resource

## Who are they?

- *Major*
  - *School*
- *Exploratory Studies*
  - *Undeclared*
  - *Pre-Nursing*
- *Additional*
  - *Pre-med, dent, optometry*
  - *Pre-law*
  - *Athletics*



## What do they do?

- *Explain policies, procedures, requirements*
- *Help set goals and develop academic plans*
- *Refer to campus resources*
- *Discuss academic difficulties*



## When?

- *As often as needed*
- By appointment



*Student Academic Success Hotline*  
*205- 934-6139*

*Academic Success Week*